

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (97-5236)

DATE: 1/30/70

FROM : ~~JKM~~ SAC, NEW YORK (105-101890) (P)

SUBJECT: BIAFRAN RELIEF SERVICES FOUNDATION  
RA - BIAFRA

*ReNYlet and LHM dated 12/4/69 and WFO letter to the Bureau and New York dated 10/31/69.*

Enclosed for the Bureau are 6 copies of an LHM dated and captioned as above, at New York, one copy being designated for Bufile 97-5198.

In view of the withdrawal by Biafra of any claim to international recognition as a sovereign state and its reunion with Nigeria, the NYO requests that Bureau contact Department and determine whether continuing investigation is desired of this organization under this character.

The "American Committee to Keep Biafra Alive; RA-Biafra" is subject of Bufile 97-5198, closed NY file 105-99031.

SA PATRICK W. HIGGINS conducted the pretext interview of 1/27/70. Pretext utilized was that of former contributor to captioned organization.

Identities of confidential sources, mentioned in enclosed LHM, are hereinafter set forth. All were contacted by SA PATRICK W. HIGGINS.

<u>Identity of Source</u>	<u>Date Contacted</u>
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AGENCY: State CIA, FBI (byg, see art 4/18/69.)

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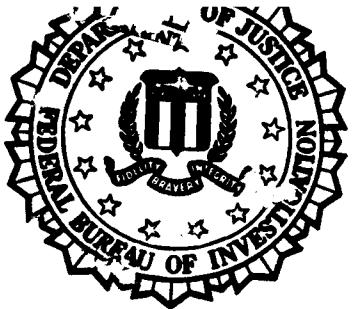
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
New York, New York  
January 30, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Biafran Relief Services Foundation  
Registration Act - Biafra

"The New York Times", a daily New York City newspaper, contained an advertisement for "An Evening for Biafra", to be held October 15, 1969, at Philharmonic Hall, Lincoln Center, New York. It set forth that all checks or money orders should be mailed to "An Evening for Biafra", 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, New York 10017. It was further noted that those sending checks or money orders should make them payable to either Biafran Relief Services Foundation or American Committee to Keep Biafra Alive, Incorporated. It set forth that purchasers of \$50 tickets would also be entitled to an invitation to a private reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alan J. Freedman.

~~Mc Carthy, Herman Badillo, and Dr. Ifegewu Eke, Commissioner for Information, Republic of Biafra, were all to speak on behalf of Biafra.~~

~~Mrs. John V. Lindsay. The Honorary Chairman for "An Evening for Biafra" was~~  
~~is hereinafter set forth:~~

~~Joseph P. Addabbo~~  
~~Mr. and Mrs. Alan Aida~~  
~~Woody Allen~~  
~~Mrs. Donatus U. Anyanwu~~  
~~Mr. and Mrs. Herman Badillo~~  
~~Warren Beatty~~  
~~Polly Bergen~~  
~~Leonard Bernstein~~  
~~Shirley Bernstein~~

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\*partly tax-deductible

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777 United Nations Plaza  
New York, New York 10017

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BIAFRAN RELIEF  
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APPENDIX

# ON A DAY WHEN MANY AMERICANS ARE THINKING ABOUT ANOTHER WAR, SPEND AN



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## SEN. EUGENE McCARTHY



"It's time to reexamine our policy of 'One Nigeria', which has resulted in our accepting the deaths of a million people as the price for preserving a nation that never existed.

"The pattern of American diplomacy in this area is a familiar one, not very different from that in Vietnam. It began with misconception, was followed by self-justification, and is ending in tragedy."

May 16, 1969, Senator  
Eugene McCarthy

and

## B. B. KING

Herman Badillo

Dr. Ifegwu Eke  
(Biafran Minister of  
Information)

Samuel Blue, Jr.

Larry Blyden

Judyann Elder

F.U.N.C.

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Chico Hamilton

Sextet

Jerry Herman

Geoffrey Holder

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Stiller & Meara

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Director: Lonnie Elder, III

## Biafran Relief Services Foundation

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